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## HAZARDOUS MATERIALS AND WASTE MANAGEMENT DIVISION

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Mr. Martin Hestmark  
U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII  
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**RE: COMMENTS; Draft Final Technical Memorandum No. 2, Exposure Assessment, Human Health Risk Assessment, Operable Unit No. 6, February, 1995**

Dear Mr. Hestmark:

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Hazardous Materials and Waste Management Division (the Division) hereby transmits final comments on the subject document prepared by the Department's Disease Control and Environmental Epidemiology Division.

The comments are straight forward; however, the general comment on the use of an "onsite resident" as a bounding scenario is no longer planned. Based on correspondence from the Division dated, February 28, 1995, DOE now plans to employ an "open-space use" scenario rather than residential.

Nevertheless, the Division once again strongly encourages DOE to perform a residential-use baseline risk assessment for the reasons aptly explained in the February 28th letter. The potential opportunity to eliminate the need for institutional controls, the Division believes, are just cause for conducting a residential-use baseline risk assessment.

The Division does not endorse, but will not oppose, approval of the document.

If you have any questions, please call Harlen Ainscough of my staff at 692-3337 or Carl Spreng at 692-3358.

Sincerely,

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